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SUBJECT: UN BRIEFING DECEMBER 29

1. IN DECEMBER 29 BRIEFING UN SPOKESMAN STATED THAT ON DECEMBER 27 UNEF HAD RECORDED 40 GROUND INCIDENTS AND FIVE AIR VIOLATIONS. OF GROUND INCIDENTS, 19 WERE REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN INITIATED BY EGYPTIAN SIDE, SIX BY ISRAELIS; REMAINING 15 WERE UNIDENTIFIED AS TO SOURCE OR WERE EXCHANGES OF FIRE.

2. UN SPOKESMAN NOTED THAT FIVE INCIDENTS INVOLVED ARTILLERY FIRE, FOUR INVOLVED TANK CANNON FIRE; THE REST WERE EITHER UNIDENTIFIED AS TO CALIBER OR WERE MACHINE GUN AND LIGHT ARMS FIRE.

3. LONGEST INCIDENT LASTED FOR FIVE HOURS AND 40 MINUTES. IT WAS INITIATED BY EGYPTIANS, AND WAS LIMITED TO SMALL ARMS FIRE AT A POINT 15 KILOMETERS NW OF KM 101 ON SUEZ ROAD. SPOKESMAN STATED

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THAT INTENSE ARTILLERY EXCHANGE, INCLUDING TANK

FIRE, HAD OCCURRED 30 KMS SW OF ISMAILIYYA FOR ONE HOUR AND 10 MINUTES.

4. SPOKESMAN ALSO NOTED THAT TWO UNEF PATROLS HAD RECORDED INCIDENT INVOLVING OVERFLIGHT BY ONE UNIDENTIFIED AIRCRAFT AT 1134 GMT DECEMBER 28. AIRCRAFT WAS FIRED ON BY THREE SAM'S, BUT NO HITS WERE RECORDED.

5. COMMENT: OTHER THAN RECORDING FLUCTUATIONS OF NUMBERS AND TYPES OF INCIDENTS, IT IS DIFFICULT TO GAIN MUCH INFORMATION FROM UN SPOKESMAN'S REMARKS. ACCORDING TO GROUND RULES AGREED TO BY UN, EGYPTIANS AND ISRAELIS, UN MAY GIVE NO INFORMATION WHICH MIGHT BE OF MILITARY BENEFIT TO EITHER PARTY. NEVERTHELESS, IT DOES APPEAR FROM SPOKESMAN'S REMARKS TODAY THAT, WHILE NUMBER OF INCIDENTS REMAINED APPROXIMATELY STABLE, THEIR INTENSITY AND DURATION HAS INCREASED SOMEWHAT.
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